UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

CHRISTIE HENKE and RICH	I HENKE
ex rel. P.H.,	

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Plaintiffs,	Case No. 1:25-cv-680
v.	Hon. Hala Y. Jarbou
EAST LANSING PUBLIC SCHOOLS and INGHAM INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT,	
Defendants.	

ORDER

The Court ordered Plaintiffs Christie and Rich Heinke to show cause for filing their original complaint (ECF No. 5), brought on behalf of their minor child P.H., pseudonymously without first obtaining a protective order from the Court. On July 11, Plaintiffs filed an amended complaint (ECF No. 8) compliant with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2(a), which *requires* minors—but not their parents or next friends—to be referred to by their initials in all court filings by default. *See Doe v. Boland*, No. 21-3517, 2022 WL 2053256, at *2 (6th Cir. Mar. 2, 2022). Now that P.H.'s "co-plaintiff guardians" are "named," the "adequate notice" that the presumption against pseudonymity is meant to ensure has been provided without sacrificing P.H.'s "compelling interest in preserving their anonymity." *Id.* at *2–3. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the Court's show cause order (ECF No. 18) is VACATED.

Dated: July 21, 2025

/s/ Hala Y. Jarbou

HALA Y. JARBOU

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE